

Table 11. Underground Natural Gas Storage - Salt Cavern Storage Fields, 1996-2002
(Volumes in Billion Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Natural Gas in Salt Cavern Underground Storage at End of Period			Change in Working Gas from Same Period Previous Year		Storage Activity		
	Base Gas	Working Gas	Total	Volume	Percent	Injections	Withdrawals	Net Withdrawals
1996 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	258	246	-13
1997 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	267	274	6
1998 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	297	275	-22
1999 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	260	259	-1
2000								
January	68	65	133	-15	-21.2	16	50	34
February	68	66	134	-12	-15.1	23	22	-1
March	69	69	138	0	1.5	24	20	-3
April	69	74	143	-4	-5.5	24	19	-5
May	70	77	147	-17	-18.1	27	24	-3
June	70	90	160	-12	-11.4	31	18	-13
July	71	97	168	1	1.7	30	21	-9
August	72	90	161	-13	-12.3	24	32	8
September	71	101	172	-12	-9.7	31	18	-12
October	71	107	178	-9	-6.6	29	20	-9
November	71	110	182	-9	-5.2	21	23	1
December	70	72	142	-28	-28.0	18	55	36
Total	—	—	—	—	—	296	320	24
2001								
January	71	73	144	9	13.5	33	31	-1
February	69	67	136	1	1.1	19	27	8
March	69	53	122	-16	-23.6	20	34	14
April	69	71	140	-3	-4.4	33	15	-18
May	71	85	156	8	10.4	30	14	-16
June	71	85	155	-5	-5.1	26	25	-1
July	71	89	160	-8	-8.4	29	25	-4
August	71	86	157	-2	-2.7	27	29	2
September	71	100	171	0	-0.3	33	19	-14
October	71	108	180	1	0.8	33	24	-8
November	72	118	190	8	7.0	33	20	-13
December	71	110	182	38	53.3	19	27	8
Total	—	—	—	—	—	335	291	-43
2002								
January	77	96	173	23	31.0	24	42	19
February	77	75	152	8	12.0	19	36	17

^a Total as of December 31.

— Not Applicable.

Notes: Data for 1996 through 2000 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise noted. See Explanatory Note 7 for discussion of the reporting of underground storage information. Gas in storage at the end of a reporting period may not equal the quantity derived by adding or subtracting net injections or withdrawals during the period to the quantity of gas in storage at the beginning of the period. This is due to changes in the quantities of native gas included in base gas and/or losses in base gas due

to migration from storage reservoirs. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Positive net withdrawals indicate the volume of withdrawals in excess of injections. Negative net withdrawals indicate the volume of injections in excess of withdrawals.

Sources: Form EIA-191, "Monthly Underground Gas Storage Report," and Form EIA-176, "Annual Report of Natural and Supplemental Gas Supply and Disposition."